

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 376
By Finney

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Lauren Drew Everhart,
2005 Salutatorian of Gatlinburg-Pittman High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Drew Everhart is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Gatlinburg-Pittman High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Lauren Everhart has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Lauren Everhart has earned an exemplary 3.9917 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, committed to community service, Ms. Everhart volunteers with the Sevier County Food Ministry, the Gatlinburg Festival of Trees, the Angel Tree Ministry, Mission of Hope, the Salvation Army, and several food drives; and

WHEREAS, a tireless fundraiser, Lauren Everhart has participated in the Light-Weight Walk for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, the Alzheimer Memory Walk, and fundraising events for St. Jude Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Lauren Everhart has been named a National Merit Commended Student, a Volunteer Girls State Delegate, a Tennessee Honors Program Honoree, and *Who's Who Among National High School Students*; she is also a member of the National Honor Roll, the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, and the Governor's School for the Humanities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Everhart's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Everhart plans to attend the University of Memphis in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Everhart's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Dave and Jodie Everhart, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Everhart's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Gatlinburg-Pittman High School Salutatorian, Lauren Drew Everhart, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.